# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Appellant/Applicant:

Ipsen Pharma S.A.S.

U.S. Serial No.

79/050,191

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**SMECTA** and Design

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Signature June 5, 2009

Date of Signature

# MOTION FOR SUSPENSION OF EX PARTE APPEAL UNDER RULE 1213 (3)

Commissioner of Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

Attention: Trademark Trial and Appeal Board

Sir:

On June 2, 2009, Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal and requisite appeal fee in this application. By paper dated June 2, 2009, the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board acknowledged

receipt of same, and initiated the appeal and accorded Applicant until August 1, 2009 in which to file its Appeal Brief.

At this time, however, pursuant to Rule 1213 (3) of the TTAB Manual of Procedure (TBMP), Applicant respectfully requests suspension of this appeal until October 23, 2010, or until such time deemed appropriate by the Board, based upon the good cause and reasons set forth herein.

Specifically, the only remaining issue in this application concerns the citation of a third party registration for the mark **SMECTA**, U.S. Registration Number 2,825,847 registered March 23, 2004; this registration was cited against the instant application as a reference under Section 2(d) of the Act. Since the cited registration issued March 23, 2004, the registrant's affidavit under Section 8 is due in that registration between **March 23, 2009** and **March 23, 2010**, and taking into account the six month grace period, it is due by absolutely no later than **September 23, 2010**. At present, which time is now subsequent to the March 23, 2009 fifth anniversary of the issue date of the registration, **no** affidavit of use has been filed, as shown by a review of the USPTO TARR database (see attached printout).

Therefore, the instant request for suspension is made in accordance with TBMP Section 1213(3), pending determination of whether the cited registration will continue in existence or will instead be cancelled or expire. Since this suspension is requested at such time that the Board will necessarily act on it after the fifth anniversary of the issue date of the registration, (i.e. after March 23, 2009), it is respectfully requested that the Board grant this request and suspend this appeal in accordance with TBMP Section 1213(3).

Since good cause exists for the requested suspension, and since this request is made in accordance with the requirements of TBMP 1213(3), which requirements are fully met by the instant circumstances, Applicant respectfully requests that the suspension be granted until October 23, 2010, i.e. one month subsequent to the expiration of the grace period for filing the affidavit of use in the cited registration, or until such time as the Board deems appropriate.

It is believe that no fee should be required by reason of the instant submission; however, please charge any fee required or charge any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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## LAST APPLICANT(S)/OWNER(S) OF RECORD

1. Zen'Yu Natural Products Ltd.

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Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Canada

#### GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

**International Class:** 005 **Class Status:** Active

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Mucus protein agent used to relieve diarrhea and to coat the digestive tract for humans

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2002-02-15

First Use in Commerce Date: 2002-04-30

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

#### MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

#### PROSECUTION HISTORY

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2004-03-23 - Registered - Principal Register

2003-12-19 - Allowed for Registration - Principal Register (SOU accepted)

2003-12-19 - Assigned To Examiner

2003-12-18 - Case File In TICRS

2003-12-05 - Statement of use processing complete

2003-11-26 - Amendment to Use filed

2003-11-26 - TEAS Statement of Use Received

2003-05-27 - Noa Mailed - SOU Required From Applicant

2003-03-04 - Published for opposition

2003-02-12 - Notice of publication

2002-12-30 - Section 44(d) claim - Deleted

2002-12-26 - Approved for Pub - Principal Register (Initial exam)

2002-12-23 - Examiner's amendment mailed

2002-10-24 - Communication received from applicant

2002-10-24 - TEAS Response to Office Action Received

2002-05-03 - Non-final action mailed

2002-04-22 - Assigned To Examiner

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